

CITY OF MEDINA
Park Board Meeting Minutes

March 20, 2006
7:00 p.m.

Medina City Hall
501 Evergreen Point Road

Call to Order

The March 20, 2006 Park Board meeting was called to order by Chair, Lisa Fleischman at 7:05 pm.

Roll Call

Present: Steve Brustkern, Lisa Fleischman, Roger Ngouenet, Heija Nunn, Karen Sparks, and Steve White

Absent & Excused: Gabriele Dickmann

Staff Present: Joe Willis, Director of Public Works; and Rachel Baker, Administrative Assistant

Announcements

Park Board members welcomed newly appointed boardmember, Steve White. White remarked about his excitement to serve on the board and the opportunity to give back to the community where he raised four boys and lived for 19 years.

Fleischman commented she contacted Jodi Major and Marianne Mowat regarding the playground groundcover material and indicated Ms. Mowat has been waiting to receive information from her source in regards to obtaining the material. Willis said work could commence once the ground has dried out and indicated he would contact Ms. Mowat to discuss the groundcover. Willis conveyed he expects edging material to arrive Friday.

Fleischman announced there would be an orientation conducted by the city manager and city attorney on March 29th from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at City Hall, and encouraged boardmembers to attend.

Nunn said another position has been vacated on the planning commission and the mayor has invited her to interview her for the position.

Minutes

MOTION NUNN AND SECOND SPARKS TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 27, 2006 PARK BOARD MINUTES AS SUBMITTED, MOTION PASSED 6-0, 7:13 PM.

Audience Participation

(Non-agenda items only)

There was no participation; however, resident Wilma Edmonds was present.

Park Reports

Fleishman remarked the new plantings in Medina Park look nice and commented on a recent incident there involving children removing playground edging for use as bike jumps in the old playground area.

Nunn asked if a picnic table in Fairweather could be moved from the gravelly area to the grassy area adjacent to parking lot.

White noted that Fairweather was mowed early this year. He said the field looks great and it has been nice to see it being used. White added Lake Lane also looks good.

Sparks said she recently noticed a dog stuck in a gulley in Medina Park between the path and pond on the west side. Willis acknowledged that the ditches were dug for drainage purposes and would be filled.

Sparks inquired about loose wires on the newly installed ramp in Medina Park. Willis answered that an outdoor plug would be added to that location.

Sparks said there was ivy growing up the trees next to where Windsong was removed, and asked if it could be cut back.

Sparks questioned the use of metal versus 4x4 wooden signposts. Willis conveyed the use of wooden posts is due to issues of cost savings and material longevity.

Boardmembers accepted 2006 park assignments as follows:

Brustkern:	Primary, Medina Beach Park; and secondary, Medina Park
Fleischman:	Primary, Medina Park; and secondary, Viewpoint
Ngouenet:	Primary, Indian Trail; and secondary, Lake Lane
Nunn:	Primary, Fairweather; and secondary, Medina Beach Park
Sparks:	Primary, Fairweather; and secondary, Viewpoint Park
White:	Primary, Lake Lane; and secondary, Fairweather

In the absence of boardmember Dickmann, Fleischman assigned her parks as follows: Primary, Medina Park; and secondary, Viewpoint.

Other Business

Windsong (7:30 pm)

Willis said the estimate of \$2,000 would be for the first stage to stop decay; restoration would be an additional cost. Willis added that more information would be obtained after conservator examines the piece.

Board discussed options for preservation, including sheltering and community sponsorship.

Park Signs (7:45 pm)

Nunn showed boardmembers park sign icon samples, but indicated a meeting with the city manager would still be needed to identify signage requirements. Fleischman conveyed she and Nunn would plan to meet with Schulze before the next meeting.

Nunn hoped to present sign sketches for Medina Park and a proposal for streamlining signs in other parks by the next meeting.

2006 Work Plan (7:48 pm)

Willis remarked upgrading the par course in Medina Park from pea gravel to rubber matting would be costly, however new gravel and bordering would be needed. Willis said the cedar timbers would be replaced, but most of the original metal parts and fittings could be reused. Willis recommended not upgrading to rubber matting at this time to maintain renovation costs around \$2,000.

Willis said Pat Crickmore is currently working on a design for five-corners landscaping project.

Willis indicated he would check into fountain type scheduled for replacement at Fairweather.

Sparks inquired if water access could be added at the Viewpoint Park dock at the point where the dock meets the concrete wall at the shoreline. Willis conveyed he would look into the request.

Willis commented on the location for basketball hoop installation at Fairweather, but indicated drainage issues would need to be addressed first.

Anderson Plan for Fairweather (8:01 pm)

Willis and boardmembers reviewed the Anderson Plan and discussed work plan items addressed for Fairweather.

New Business

City Website (8:25 pm)

Ngouenet suggested boardmembers email him with suggestions for additions to parks portion of the city website and asked if Fleischman could forward recommendations to the city manager when she meets with him.

City Council Meetings (8:34 pm)

Fleischman encouraged boardmembers to attend city council meetings on a rotating basis to represent the park board. She said she recently spoke to the mayor and he indicated he intends to attend a few future park board meetings. Fleischman conveyed she would email a schedule to boardmembers.

Adjournment

MOTION WHITE AND SECOND SPARKS TO ADJOURN MARCH 20, 2006 MEETING, MOTION PASSED 6-0, 8:41 PM.
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The March 20, 2006, Park Board meeting at adjourned at 8:41 pm.

The next Park Board meeting will be held Monday, April 17, 2006 at 7:00 pm.

Minutes taken by:

Rachel Baker
Administrative Assistant